

Columbia Soccer Referee Association

Association

Serving SW Washington



<http://www.csref.org>

Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at St. Paul Lutheran Church located at 1309 Franklin, downstairs on the building's SE corner. Instruction will begin at 7:30 p.m. For continuing education requirements, if you plan to attend the meeting or other referee training, register beforehand on the [WASRC website](http://www.wasrc.org) and then be sure to **initial** the meeting sign in sheet confirming attendance.

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2010

Clinic #3096

The Columbia Soccer Referee Association (CSRA) monthly meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by CSRA President **James Smith**. The previous meeting's minutes were approved as written by the 26 officials in attendance.

INSTRUCTION

VP of Instruction, Larry Pitt provided instruction on "Contact Above the Shoulder" which is part of USSF's recent Ten Directives. Contact with a solid object (hand or forearm) with a soft object (the face) can be seen as excessive force. Actions aimed at the face are not permitted with any part of the hand and deliberate facial contact cannot be tolerated and must be issued a red card for violent conduct though temper it with judgement as to force used, contingent circumstances, etc. Was it **careless, reckless** or had **excessive force**? Review the *tool* versus *weapon* scenario in the directive. When used as a weapon serious injury can result. **James Smith** added a request for officials to read all ten directives. USSF provides the *Week in Review* complete with video clips and archived messaging.

REPORTS

VP of Assessments Fred Parrish said not much going on for assessments at this time. Different Cup games are going on right now. Clamping down on how acceptable a game is for upgrading purposes. Be comfortable with doing U19 competitive matches. Referees should not be using 2009 badges.

Treasurer Gene Chase did not attend but provided a current bank balance of \$3,555.36. Outstanding bills include \$750 for WOA and \$300 to Arbiter Sports.

Youth Referees, Christopher McKinnon did not attend the meeting.

Youth/Adult Referee Assignor Drew Brooks stressed that there were close to 40 games this weekend. He gets the schedule early in the week and some folks did not accept matches timely. Please check your email often so that he can reassign turn backs quickly. Let Drew know if he is missing you for assignments. Block out dates/hours on Arbiter if you are unavailable. Drew will try to add gender so officials can review team standings.

WOA Secretary Rick Stover was not available to report.

WOA/NFHS Assignor Jill Derry left and did not report.

LEAGUE REPORTS and OLD BUSINESS

No league reports or old business reported.

NEW BUSINESS

James Smith, Larry Pitt, Jill Derry, Dave Derry, and Fred Parrish attended the Assessor/Instructor clinic in Tukwila this past weekend. There is a new DVD coming about free kicks that we will share at upcoming instruction sessions at our monthly chapter meetings. Dave Derry has been appointed the new Area Instructor Coordinator for Southwest Washington by WASRC.

When doing upcoming tournament games be sure to check the field to confirm correct field markings as there have been some reported errors that needed to be corrected prior to game start. There are conflicting field dimensions for U11 games given in the Cup rules. Note that for U11 there should be only nine players per team for U11 and the penalty mark is at 10 yards.

There being no further action before the organization, the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Recorded and submitted by: **De Stickel**, CSRA Secretary.